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Sent: Wednesday, June 08, 2005 6:27 PM
To: Dabbs, Paul
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Subject: Water Portfolios - Loss & Losses

Dear Paul,

As noted in Volume 1, page 143 out of 249, the AC expressed concern about the use of the word "loss" as related to water, and DWR agreed to come up with a better term for the final Water Plan Update 2005. See Strategic Plan (link below) , page 143 out of 249, footnote 2.

http://www.waterplan.water.ca.gov/docs/cwpu2005/Vol_1/v1PRD.combined.pdf

I checked everything, and we're in pretty good shape except for Volume 3 - the regional reports & water portfolios, where loss is misused 454 times.

Aside from that, I only found 20 instances of the misuse of the term loss -- as in loss of water. I have listed these on the attached spreadsheet, along with a possible remedy for each.

<<Loss check_pbrevdraft_may2005.xls>>

My understanding is that the term loss will be lost in the final Bulletin 160-05. Is that still the plan?

Thanks for keeping up on this.

Best regards,
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	Number	Status	
Highlights	0		
Vol 1			
Strategic Plan	22	21	ok
		1	page 143 of 149 - convenience loss, with footnote that DWR is working to develop more describing terms
Vol 2			
Chapter			
Intro	0		
1	0		
2	1	ok	
3	7	2 bad	p 3 of 12: box - gratuitous last sentence -- delete it. "These losses... are losses."
			p 5 of 12: parenthetical "(recoverable losses) - delete it.
			p 6 of 12 - definition of "Irrecoverable losses -- rewrite without use of losses or irrecoverable
			p 8 or 12 - Year 4 "Irrecoverable loss savings..." - Just start the sentence, "Savings estimates....
			p 8 of 12 - next paragraph, cost of saving these irrecoverable losses -- simply eliminate irrecoverable losses ref.
			p 9 of 12 - loss of rights -- correct use of term "loss"
4	0		
5	0		
6	0		
7	0		
8	0		
9	0		
10	4	ok	flood losses
11	0		
12	1	ok	energy, capacity & hydraulic losses
13	0		
14	2	bad	p 4 of 5 - loss in water supply -- change to reduction in water supply
		bad	p 4 of 5 - potential loss in precipitation -- change to reduction...
15	1	not good	p 5 of 6, point 12 -- long-term loss of water supplies; I don't even know what this means in this context
16	0		
17	0		
18	2	ok	loss of property tax; loss of fish & wildlife
19	3	ok	loss of revenue;
		bad	p 5 of 7 - cumulative loss associated with FERC relicensing; not clear to me - not helpful
		bad	p 5 of 7 - switching to fossil fuels to offset this loss -- a word describing the cause of the loss would be better
20	0		
21	1	ok	loss of habitat

22	4	bad	page 1 of 11, point 5 - reducing return flows or seepage losses (eliminate the word losses). Also, I think this might want to state, increasing return flows
		bad	page 6 of 11 -- seepage losses (eliminate the word losses)
		ok	job losses
		bad	page 8 or 11 -- losses along the flow path (REWRITE this -- as we know water is not lost, it's going somewhere)
23	0		
24	1	ok	large economic losses
25	9	ok	all re crop loss & loss of productivity
Vol 3			
	454		page 12 of 332 -- system losses (needs to be restated)
			from that follow all the rest - irrecoverable losses, losses from the distribution system, conveyance losses, etc., etc. -- this is the part that Evelyn is committed to fix -- which was my original question
Vol 4			
Preface to Crop Water Use Section	2	bad	page 1 or 3 - transpiration losses (eliminate the word losses)
Glossary			
		bad	p 2 of 17 - Catastrophic vulnerability - change losses to negative impacts
		bad	p 4 of 17 - long-term value and short-term costs and losses -- does this mean loss of income, or what?
		bad	p 14 of 17 - seasonal vs. permanent crop mix -- last sentence: "In other words, shortage losses increase" -- this is jargon, not helpful. Eliminate this last sentence.
		bad	p 14 or 17 - Seepage -- "Also, loss of water by infiltration... " Restate: "Infiltration of water into..."
		bad	